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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

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United States of America,

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Plaintiff,

MAGISTRATE NO. 08-0166M

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v.

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Christian Arango-Sanchez,

**Order Re: Extending Time to Indict**

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Defendant.

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HAVING considered Defendant Christian Arango-Sanchez's Motion to  
Extend Time and good cause having been shown;

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THE COURT makes the following findings:

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1. Counsel for defendant has only recently been appointed;

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2. The defendant earnestly wishes to consider the plea offer extended by  
the government;

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3. The defendant wishes to investigate possible defenses prior to  
considering the government's plea offer;

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4. The government's plea offer, if accepted by the defendant and then the  
court, would likely reduce defendant's exposure to a significant term of  
imprisonment;

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5. If the defendant does not timely accept the plea offer prior to indictment,  
the government will withdraw said plea offer and any subsequent plea  
offer after indictment would likely be less advantageous to the  
defendant;

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1 6. Failure to extend time for indictment in this instance would thus operate  
2 to bar defendant from reviewing the government's plea offer in a  
3 meaningful way prior to indictment; and

4 7. The ends of justice served by this continuance outweigh the best interest  
5 of the public and the defendant in a speedy indictment.

6 The Court therefore concludes that the ends of justice are best served by

7 granting an extension of time to present the case to the grand jury and in excluding

8 a period of thirty (30) days under the Speedy Trial Act. In making this

9 determination, the Court has particularly taken into account that the failure to grant

10 the Defendant's request "would deny counsel for the defendant... the reasonable

11 time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due

12 diligence." 18 U.S.C. §3161(h)(8)(B)(iv).

13 **IT IS ORDERED** that Defendant's Motion to Extend Time to Indict,

14 requesting an extension of thirty (30) days within which the government may seek

15 to indict defendant, is hereby granted.

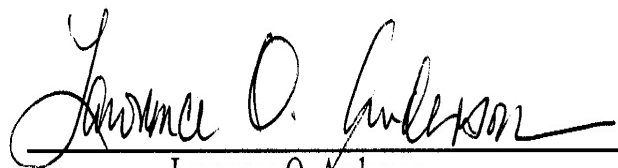
16 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that excludable time shall begin to run on the

17 31<sup>st</sup> day after arrest for a period of thirty (30) days in which the Government may

18 present the case to the grand jury.

19 DATED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008.

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Lawrence O. Anderson  
United States Magistrate Judge